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SUBJECT: ENRILE ON BASE DISCUSSIONS

REF: (A) STATE 209867, (B) STATE 211454, (C) MANILA 14590,

- (D) MANILA 14689

- 1. PRIOR TO OUR DISCUSSION ON BASE ISSUES REPORTED IN REF D, I PROVIDED ENRILE WITH MILITARY SUPPLY INFORMATION IN REF B AS INDICATION OF EFFORTS BEING MADE IN WASHINGTON TO BE RESPONSIVE TO PHILIPPINE MILITARY REQUIREMENTS. ENRILE TOOK CAREFUL NOTE, ASKED SOME EASILY ANSWERED QUESTIONS OF CLARIFICATION (MODEL OF THE F-8, WHETHER THE PATROL BOATS ARE PSMM'S; WHETHER THE ARMORED PERSONNEL CARRIERS ARE AIFV'S), BUT MADE NO FURTHER COMMENT.
- 2. I ASKED ENRILE ABOUT MARCOS' AUGUST 22 COMMENT (REF C) THAT HE (ENRILE) OPPOSED THE MILITARY-TO-MILITARY TALKS. ENRILE SAID THAT THIS WAS NOT RPT NOT SO, THAT MARCOS WAS REFERRING ONLY TO HIS (ENRILE'S) OPPOSITION TO INDICATING IN THE MAY 4 JOINT STATEMENT THAT THE BASES ARE OF MUTUAL BENEFIT. ENRILE PLAYED UP REPORT TO MARCOS FROM VIRATA THAT SOME IN CONGRESS DON'T WANT TO PAY FOR THE BASES BECAUSE THEY ARE OF "MUTUAL BENEFIT" AS PROOF THAT HE HAD BEEN RIGHT IN HIS COUNSEL TO MARCOS. I EMPHASIZED THE SECRET

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CUT FROM MAP. CAUTIONED HIM NOT TO
GENERALIZE ABOUT CONGRESSIONAL ATTITUDES. ADDED THAT GOP
FOR ITS PART SHOULD REMAIN ALERT TO NEED TO PROVIDE STATE
AND DEFENSE WITH EVIDENCE OF ITS GOOD WILL TOWARD OUR
CONTINUED USE OF THE BASES FOR UNHAMPERED MILITARY OPERATIONS AND THEREBY HELP US WORK UP SATISFACTORY PACKAGE.
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